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To Whom it may Concern:

This is to ask that you please grant the petition by Farm Sanctuary to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals - docket number 98P-0151/CPI.

Animals who are too sick or injured to even stand should not be allowed to enter the human food chain.

Animals who are too sick or injured to stand are typically pushed with tractors or dragged with chains. This is inhumane, causing broken bones, torn ligaments, bruises, abrasions, etc.

Downed animals comprise a very small percentage of animals slaughtered, and prohibiting their marketing will cause no undue economic hardship.

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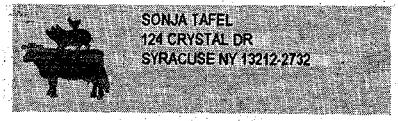
Most of the downed animals
could be presented with better care
and handling.

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How about a little compassion
for the animals. Maybe by removing
the market for downed animals, an
incentive will be provided for the
industry to prevent downed animals
in the first place.

Thank you,

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